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S.I. No. 567 of 2020

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I, CHARLIE MCCONALOGUE, Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 36 of the Animal Health and Welfare Act 2013 (No. 15 of 2013), hereby make the following regulations:

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Avian Influenza (Restriction on Assembly of Live Birds) Regulations 2020.

2. A person shall not
   (a) organise or take part in an event which involves assembling birds,
   (b) sell or supply a live bird at a fair, market, mart or other gathering, or
   (c) have a live bird in his or her possession or under his and her control at an event to which paragraph (1) or (2) relates.

3. Regulation 2 does not apply to the assembly of pigeons for racing and associated purposes.

4. Regulation 2 is a penal provision to which section 36 (4) (b) of the Animal Health and Welfare Act 2013 applies.

GIVEN under my Official Seal,
1 December, 2020.

CHARLIE MCCONALOGUE,
Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine.

Notice of the making of this Statutory Instrument was published in “Iris Oifigiúil” of 4th December, 2020.
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the instrument and does not purport to be a legal interpretation)

These regulations provide for restrictions on the assembly of live birds as a precautionary measure against risk of avian influenza.